



RCMP O DIVISION CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM
Border Integrity Open Source Results for 2022-02-14, 1000 hours

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AIM

To provide RCMP O Division with passive open source information identified on 2022-02-14 by 1000 hours, pertaining to the ongoing protests known as the "Freedom Convoy" at or near Ontario land and air ports of entry (POE).

KEY FINDINGS

- Protesters are reported to have dispersed from the Peace Bridge and surrounding areas in Fort Erie, however, the QEW ramps near the Peace Bridge remain closed.
- As of this morning, the Ambassador Bridge has reopened. There continues to be a significant amount of online discussion about the protests in Windsor. One person was live streaming at the Huron Church/Tecumseh Road intersection by the Food Basics in Windsor this morning. Comments suggested that additional people were planning to join.
- An unknown individual who commented yesterday that Ontario was in for a "pleasant surprise" was identified as **Personal Info.** is listed as prohibited for firearms, despite posing in photos on social media with guns.
- Unverified accounts continue to tweet that the Blue Water Bridge is blocked; however, it appears to be operating normally.

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Peace Bridge

The Peace Bridge remains open to traffic this morning. OPP are keeping the QEW closed from Gilmore Rd to the Peace Bridge.ⁱ It is reported that protesters have dispersed the area.ⁱⁱ

Rainbow Bridge/Whirlpool Bridge/Queenston-Lewiston Bridge

No posts of concern regarding these locations.

CORNWALL

No posts of concern regarding this location.

KINGSTON

No posts of concern regarding this location.

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WINDSOR

As of this morning, the Ambassador Bridge has reopened. There continues to be a significant amount of online discussion about the protests in Windsor. One person was live streaming at the Huron Church/Tecumseh Road intersection by Food Basics in Windsor this morning (Figure 1). He appears to be alone. Comments suggested that additional people might join.ⁱⁱⁱ



Figure 1: Facebook live stream by Tristan Newman

On 2022-02-13, an unknown individual was observed approaching the camera of a **Personal Info.** livestream saying that the province of Ontario is in for a “pleasant surprise tomorrow” and that all that matters is that the OPP stays in Windsor until tomorrow.^{iv} The unknown individual was later identified as **Pers.** **Personal Info.**^v

Pers. does not have a criminal record, but is listed as prohibited for weapons.^{vi} Despite his prohibition, social media accounts likely associated to **Pers.** feature images of him with firearms (Figure 2).^{vii} A Facebook account likely belonging to **Pers.** features a background image of a weapon (Figure 3). A post made by a **Personal Info.** on the account’s timeline suggests that **Pers.** may be temporarily banned

from Facebook due to “a joke made.”^{viii} Social media accounts likely belonging to **Pers** are full of anti-Trudeau messages. A post from 2021-08-23 shows a flag with the words “Fuck Trudeau” on them.^{ix}

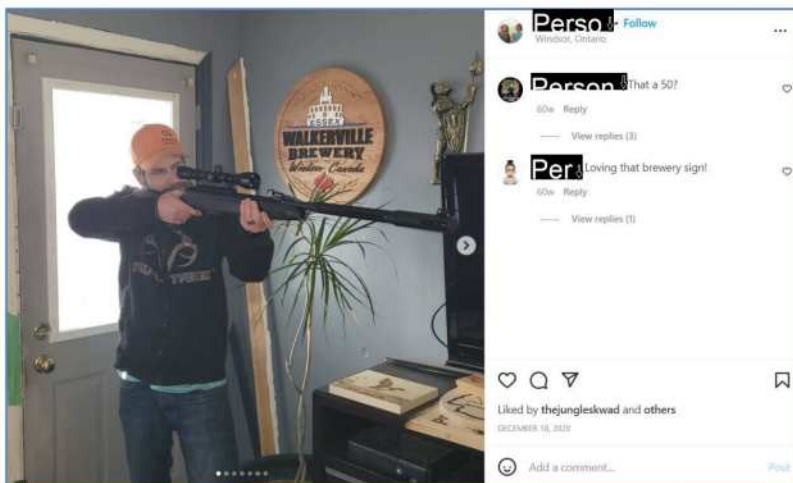


Figure 2: Instagram picture of CRISP with firearm in December 2020^x

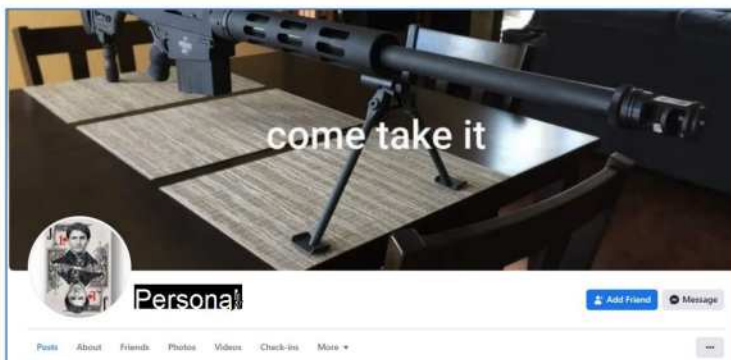


Figure 3: Header of Facebook account likely belonging to CRISP^{xi}

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Unverified accounts continue to tweet that the Blue Water Bridge is blocked, however, a tweet from the Federal Bridge Corporation at 0726 hours reports that the bridge is “fully open and traffic is moving normally.”^{xii}

SAULT STE. MARIE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

No posts of concern identified during the reporting period.

OTTAWA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – YOW

No posts of concern were observed in relation to the Ottawa International Airport.

TORONTO PEARSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT – YYZ

No posts of concern were observed in relation to the Toronto Pearson International Airport (TPIA).

STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS

With the fluidity and ever evolving situations at or near the POEs, continued live query support of open source media is warranted in order to provide updated situational awareness for RCMP O Division and partner agencies.

LIIMITATIONS

Although every effort has been made to review all publicly visible social media and web sources for information relevant to this brief, the absence of threat information herein should not be taken as an exhaustive examination of potential threats. A large volume of information is available online and constantly evolving.

DISSEMINATION

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